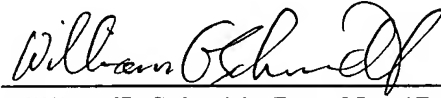


REMARKS AND COMMENTS

Claims 1-28 are pending in this application. The examiner has allowed claims 1-28. The examiner has objected to informal Figure 3. Figure 3 has been redrawn to conform to formal requirements. A complete set of drawings have been submitted with this response.

In light of the above, applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee due for this amendment to **Deposit Account 02-0429 (584-34604-US)**.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William E. Schmidt", written over a horizontal line.

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In The Drawings

Please enter the following corrected drawings.

Figure 3 has been corrected to comply with 37 CFR 1.81. A complete set of formal drawings have been submitted with this response.